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Cover Coin

Gold stater of Philip III.
Issued 323 - 314 B.C.

Obverse: Head of Athena right, wearing bead necklace and crested Corinthian helmet ornamented with coiled serpent.
Reverse: ΦΙΛΙΠΠΟ-Υ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ, Nike walking left carrying stylus and wreath in extended right hand and naval trophy in left, monogram and shield in left field.
Naville-Ars Classica 13,530; Muller 23.
Superb *Price on request*

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GREEK GOLD

1. **Lesbos**, *Mytilene*. El hecte (2.37 gm), 485-455 B.C. Ram's hd. r. with dotted truncation, below cock to l. Rev: Incuse lion's hd. r., rectangular incuse behind. SNG von Aulock 1688. Rare variety. *nearly Extremely Fine* 1100

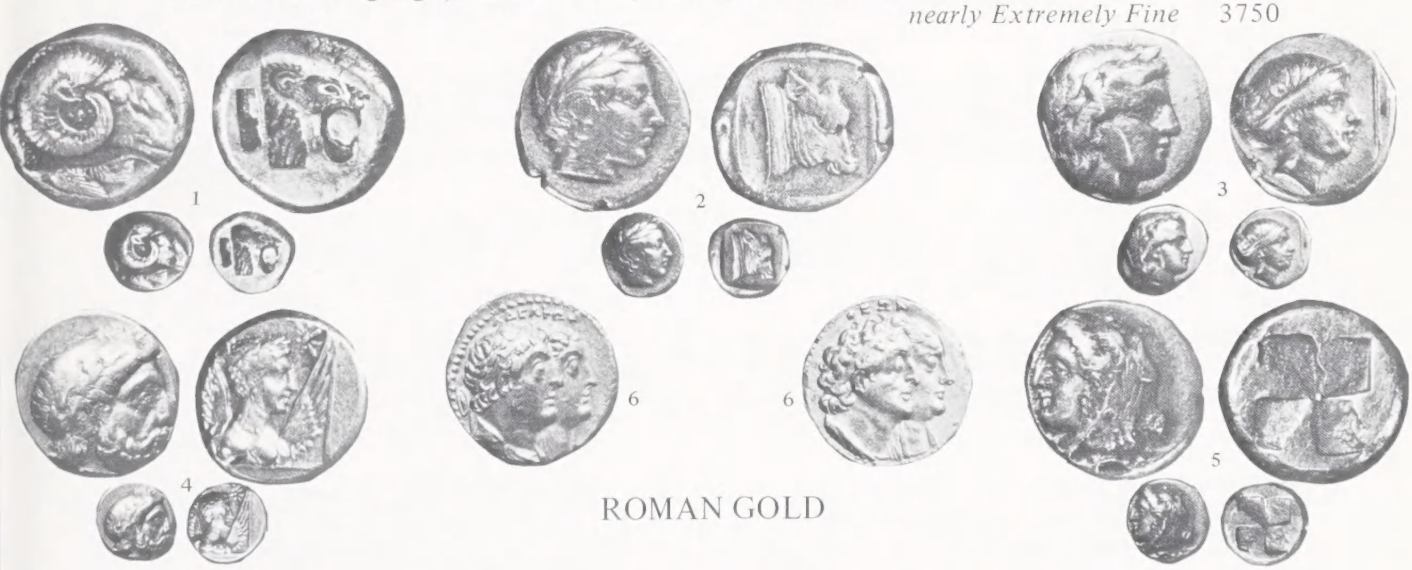
2. ---, ---. El hecte (2.51 gm), 455-400 B.C. Laur. hd. of Apollo r. with short hair. Rev: Calf's hd. r. in shallow incuse square. Boston 1702. *Very Fine* 1200

3. ---, ---. El hecte (2.51 gm), 400-330 B.C. Laur. hd. of Apollo r. with long locks on back of neck. Rev: Female hd. r. with hair in sphendone, coiled serpent behind neck. Boston 1719. *about Very Fine* 850

4. ---, *Mytilene and Phocaea in Alliance*. El hecte (2.56 gm), 400-330 B.C. Laur. and bearded hd. of Asklepios r. Rev: Torso of winged Nike facing, hd. turned r., wearing laurel crown, star of eight rays beside each winged tip, all within linear square border. Boston 1729. *Very Fine* 775

5. **Ionia**, *Phocaea*. El hecte (2.55 gm), 480-400 B.C. Hd. of Omphale l. wearing lion skin headdress, droplet earring, hair in roll over forehead, and club over shoulder; small seal below. Rev: Mill sail incuse. Boston 1917; BMC 52 ff. Ex British Museum Duplicate. *Very Fine plus* 1250

6. **Kings of Egypt**, *Ptolemy II Philadelphus*. **AV** tetradrachm (13.88 gm), 285-247 B.C. ΑΔΕΛΦΩΝ, jugate busts of Ptolemy II, diad. and wearing chlamys, and Arsinoe II, diad. and veiled r., behind hds. a shield. Rev: ΘΕΩΝ, jugate busts of Ptolemy I, diad. and wearing aegis, and Berenice I, diad. and veiled r. Svoronos 604. *nearly Extremely Fine* 3750



ROMAN GOLD

7. **Diocletian**. **AV** aureus (4.61 gm), 284-305 A.D. Cyzicus mint. Laur. dr. and cuir. bust of Diocletian r. Rev: IOVI CONSERVATORI, Jupiter stg. l. holding Victory on globe and sceptre. RIC 295; C. 248. *good Very Fine* 3200

8. **Valens**. **AV** solidus (4.30 gm), 364-378 A.D. Antioch mint. Pearl-diad., dr. and cuir. bust of Valens r. Rev: RESTITVTOR REIPVBLICAE, ANTA· in ex., Emperor stg. facing with hd. turned r. holding labarum and Victory on globe. RIC 2d. *Fine plus* 300

9. **Theodosius II**. **AV** solidus (4.32 gm), 402-450 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear over r. shoulder and shield inscribed with galloping horsemen. Rev: CONCORDI AAVGGH, CONOB in ex. Constantinople std. facing with hd. turned r. holding Victory on globe and spear, foot on prow. Ratto 147. *good Very Fine* 425

10. ———. **AV** solidus (4.37 gm). Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear and shield. Rev: VOT. XX. MVLT. XXX.I., CONOB in ex. Victory stg. l. holding long cross, star to l. of head. Goodacre 12; cf. Ratto 167. *Very Fine plus* 375

11. ———. **AV** solidus (4.34 gm). Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear and shield. Rev: SALVS REIPVBLICAE Δ, CONOB in ex. Theodosius II and Valentinian III enthroned facing, star above Theodosius. Goodacre 9. *Very Fine* 775

12. **Valentinian III. AV** solidus (4.35 gm), 425-455 A.D. Rome mint. Rosette-diad., dr. and cuir. bust r. Rev: VICTORIA AVGGG, RM in field, COMOB in ex. Emperor stg. facing holding long cross and globus, nicephorus, foot on serpent with human hd. Scarce. Cohen 19. *Very Fine* 750

13. **Marcian. AV** solidus (4.55 gm), 450-457 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear and shield. Rev: VICTORIA AVGGG Γ, CONOB in ex. Victory stg. l. holding long cross, star in field to r. Ratto 213. *Very Fine* 850

14. **Zeno. AV** solidus (4.48 gm), 474-491 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear and shield. Rev: VICTORIA AVGGG Φ, CONOB in ex. Victory stg. l. holding long cross, star in field to r. cf. Ratto 283. *nearly Extremely Fine* 650

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15. **Anastasius I. AV** solidus (4.39 gm), 491-518 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear and shield. Rev: Victory stg. l. holding long cross surmounted by inverted P. Officina I. Ratto 321. *Very Fine* 350

16. **Justinian I. AV** solidus (4.52 gm), 527-565 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding globus cruciger and shield. Rev: Victory stg. facing holding gl. cr. and long Christogram, star in field to r. Officina Γ. *about Extremely Fine* 350

17. **Justin II. AV** solidus (4.43 gm), 565-578 A.D. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding Victory on globe and shield. Rev: Constantinopolis std. facing holding spear and gl. cr. Officina I. Ratto 758. *Extremely Fine* 350

18. **Maurice Tiberius. AV** solidus (4.40 gm), 582-602 A.D. Constantinople mint. Dr. and cuir. bust facing wearing plumed helmet and holding gl. cr. Rev: Angel stg. facing holding long Christogram and gl. cr. Officina Θ. BMC 12. Some edge flatness. *Extremely Fine* 325

19. **Phocas. AV** solidus (4.33 gm), 602-610 A.D. Constantinople mint. Bust facing wearing consular robes and crown, holding mappa and long cross. Rev: Angel stg. facing holding long Christogram and gl. cr. D.O. 4a. Scarce. Some flatness. *Very Fine plus* 750

20. ———. **AV** solidus (4.48 gm). Dr. and cuir. bust facing wearing crown and holding gl. cr. Rev: As above. Officina I. Ratto 1198. Some edge flatness. *Extremely Fine* 300

21. ———. **AV** solidus (4.42 gm). Similar to above. Officina Σ. Ratto 1182. *Superb* 350

22. **Heraclius. AV** solidus (4.44 gm), 610-641 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding gl. cr., helmet plumed. Rev: Cross potent on three steps. Mint bloom but edge flatness obscures part of legend. *Extremely Fine* 325

23. **Heraclius and Heraclius Constantine. AV** solidus (4.23 gm). Constantinople mint. Facing busts of the two emperors each wearing chlamys and elaborate crown with cross, cross above. Rev: Cross potent on three steps. Officina Δ. cf. Ratto 1358. *Extremely Fine* 325

24. ———. **AV** solidus (4.34 gm). As above only Officina H. D.O. 8h2.
nearly Extremely Fine 300

25. ———. **AV** solidus (4.47 gm). Alexandria mint. As above only reverse legend ends in III. D.O. 187b.4; Ratto 1379 (attributed to Carthage). Rare. *Superb* 850

26. **Constans II. AV** solidus (4.43 gm), 641-668 A.D. Constantinople mint. Bust facing wearing crown and chlamys and holding gl. cr. Rev: Cross potent on three steps. Officina A. Ratto 1510. *about Extremely Fine* 350

27. **Constans II and his son Constantine IV. AV** solidus (4.50 gm), 654-659 A.D. Constantinople mint. Facing busts of Constans with long beard and Constantine IV, small cross between heads. Rev: Cross potent on three steps. Officina B. BMC 40. Some edge flatness. *good Very Fine* 300

28. **Constantine IV and his brothers Heraclius and Tiberius. AV** solidus (4.36 gm), 668-680 A.D. Constantinople mint. Helmeted and cuir. bust facing holding spear and shield. Rev: Heraclius and Tiberius flanking cross potent on three steps. BMC 7. Some flatness. *Extremely Fine* 375

29. **Justinian II. AV** semissis (2.13 gm), First reign 685-695 A.D. Constantinople, struck 692-5. Bust of Christ facing with cross behind, holding book of gospels and raising r. hand in benediction. Rev: Justinian stg. facing holding cross potent on globus. D.O. 10. Rare. Some flatness. *Very Fine* 750

30. **Romanus III**, *Argyrus*. **AV** histamenon (4.39 gm), 1028-1034 A.D. Constantinople mint. Christ enthroned facing raising r. hand in benediction and holding book of gospels. Rev: Romanus stg. facing holding gl. cr. and crowned by nimbate Virgin. Ratto 1972. *nearly Extremely Fine* 600

31. **Constantine X**, *Ducas*. **AV** scyphate histamenon (4.22 gm), 1059-1067 A.D. Constantinople mint. Christ enthroned facing raising r. hand in benediction and holding book of gospels. Rev: Emperor stg. facing holding gl. cr. and crowned by nimbate Virgin. Ratto 2011. *Very Fine* 375

32. ———. **AV** scyphate histamenon. Christ std. facing raising r. hand in benediction and holding book of gospels. Rev: Constantine stg. facing on footstool wearing crown and holding labarum and gl. cr. Ratto 2010. *Extremely Fine* 375

33. **Romanus IV Diogenes with his wife Eudocia and his step-sons Michael VII, Constantine and Andronicus. AV** scyphate histamenon (4.34 gm), 1067-1071 A.D. Christ stg. facing holding labarum between Constantine and Andronicus, each holding gl. cr. Ratto 2026v. *Very Fine plus* 350

34. **Michael VII**, *Ducas*. **AR** scyphate miliaresion (2.49 gm), 1071-1078 A.D. Virgin stg. facing on footstool, nimbate, orans, wearing tunic and maphorioro. Rev: Michael stg. facing wearing military dress and crown, holding long cross and sheathed sword. D.O. 7b. Very rare. *Fine plus* 275

35. **Isaac II**, *Angelus*. El scyphate histamenon (3.81 gm), 1185-1195 A.D. Nimbate Virgin enthroned facing. Rev: Emperor stg. facing holding cross-sceptre and mappa and crowned by St. Michael the Archangel. Ratto 2175. *good Extremely Fine* 375

36. **Empire of Nicaea**, *Theodore I Lascaris*. **AR** trachy (3.69 gm), 1208-1222 A.D. Magnesia mint. Christ enthroned facing holding book of gospels. Rev: Theodore and St. Theodore stg. facing nimbate and in military attire, holding between them a sceptre surmounted by star. Ratto 2282v. *Superb* 475

37. **The Restored Byzantine Empire** - *Michael VIII Palaeologus.* AV scyphate histamenon (4.14 gm), 1261-1282 A.D. Virgin orans within city walls of Constantinople. Rev: Emperor kneeling facing, sustained by St. Michael the Archangel, Christ stg. on r. before. Ratto 2215. *good Very Fine* 475

ADOPTIONS AND IMITATIONS OF BYZANTINE TYPES

38. **Dutchey of Beneventum,** *Arichis II.* AV tremissis (1.33 gm), 758-787 A.D. Facing bust of Arichis holding gl. cr. Rev: Cross potent. Ratto 2393. Rare. *Extremely Fine* 700

39. **Barbaric Imitation of Zeno.** AV tremissis (1.48 gm). DN. ZENO. PERP. AVG. Diad., cuir. and dr. bust r. Rev: VICTORIR AGVSTORVM CONOB. Victory stg. holding gl. cr. and wreath. cf. Ratto 2470 (Anastasius). Rare. *good Very Fine* 175

40. **Arab Imitation of Heraclius.** AV solidus (4.35 gm), struck c. 699 A.D. Three stg. figures facing holding staffs with globes topped by pellets. Rev: Vertical staff on base and three steps, top ending in crossbeam. cf. BMC S;18, 54; cf. D.O. class IV Bf and g. Extremely rare. *Very Fine* 2200

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41. **Campania,** *Neapolis.* AR didrachm (7.28 gm), 400-340 B.C. Hd. of Nymph l. wearing diad. earring and necklace, eagle behind. Rev: Man-headed bull r., Nike flying r. crowning bull, IΣ below. SNG ANS 397. High relief, of good style. *nearly Very Fine* 325

42. **Calabria,** *Tarentum.* AR didrachm (6.48 gm), 281-272 B.C. Naked horseman prancing r. holding lance, shield and javelins, Nike flying l. extending wreath. Rev: TAPAΣ. Taras riding dolphin l. holding trident and kantharos, ΓΥ to r. field. Vlasto 730. Nice style. *good Very Fine* 400

43. **Bruttium,** *The Bruttii.* AR octobol (4.55 gm), 282-203 B.C. Bust of winged Nike r., bucranium behind. Rev: BPETTIΩN. Pan stg. facing crowning himself, chlamys over l. arm, holding long spear, thymiaterion to the r. Grose 1497 (obv.), 1502 (rev.). *Very Fine* 525

44. ———, *Caulonia.* AR stater (7.96 gm), 450-400 B.C. KAV. Naked male figure advancing r., bearing branch in raised r. hand and small figure running on extended l. arm, stag in front. Rev: Stag stg. r. BMC 17. *Several die breaks, Very Fine* 300

45. ———, *Terina.* AR stater (7.00 gm), 450-425 B.C. Hd. of female l., hair tightly bound with ampyx. Rev: TEPINAION (off flan). Nike std. l. on cippus holding wreath and caduceus. SNG ANS 811. Rare. Nice style. *good Fine* 650

46. **Sicily,** *Agrigentum.* AR tetradrachm (17.05 gm), 472-413 B.C. AKRAC - ʒOTИA, eagle stg. l. with closed wings. Rev: Crab. SNG ANS 977. *Slight obverse corrosion, Very Fine* 875

47. ———, ———. AR didrachm (8.69 gm), 550-472 B.C. AKRACANTOΣ. Eagle stg. l. with closed wings. Rev: Crab. Grose 2014. Rare. *Weak obv. strike, good Very Fine* 750

48. ———, *Gela.* AR didrachm (8.44 gm), before 466 B.C. Helmeted horseman cantering r. brandishing spear. Rev: CEΛAΣ. Forepart of man-headed bull swimming r. BMC 19. *Very Fine* 900

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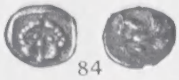
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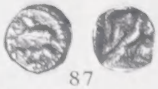
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49. ———, *Naxos.* AR didrachm (8.45 gm), 420-403 B.C. ΝΑΞΙΩΝ. Hd. of Apollo r. wearing laurel wreath, laurel leaf and berry to l. Rev: Silenus kneeling on two steps holding kantharos and thyrsus; on l., bearded herm; on r., stem of ivy; on face of lower step, ΠΡΟΚΛΗΣ - Prokles (artist's signature). Cahn 108; Hirmer 11. Extremely rare. Good style, some reverse flatness. *nearly Very Fine* 3200

50. ———, *Syracuse.* AR tetradrachm (17.15 gm), under Agathokles (second coinage) 317-289 B.C. ΚΟΡΑΣ. Hd. of Persephone r., hair wreathed with barley and falling in long tresses over shoulders. Rev: ΑΓΑΘΟΚΛΕΙΟΣ. Nike stg. r. holding hammer and affixing helmet to trophy, triskeles to l. Grose 2839. Large flan. *good Very Fine* 1600

51. **Kings of Macedon,** *Archelaus I.* AR stater (10.36 gm), 413-399 B.C. Hd. of Apollo wearing tainia r. Rev: ΑΡΧΕ ΛΑΟ. Horse walking r., rein trailing on the ground, all in linear square within an incuse square. BMC 4. *nice Very Fine* 750

52. ———, *Alexander III.* AR tetradrachm (16.97 gm), 336-323 B.C. Hd. of young Herakles r. wearing lion's skin. Rev: ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ. Zeus std. l. on throne holding eagle and sceptre, shield in field to l. M. 752. *Very Fine* 250

53. ———, *Perseus.* AR tetradrachm (17.76 gm), 178-168 B.C. Diad. hd. of Perseus r. Rev: ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΠΕΡΣΕΩΣ. Eagle stg. r. on thunderbolt, above Φ; to r. ; between eagle's legs ; all within an oak-wreath; plough in exergue. Ars Classica XII, 1198. Light scratches in field otherwise, *about Very Fine* 450

54. **Macedonia Under the Romans.** AR tetradrachm (16.92 gm), 158-146 B.C. Bust of Artemis r. in center of Macedonian shield. Rev: ΜΑΚΕΔΟΝΩΝ ΠΡΩΤΗΣ. Club r., the whole within a wreath of oak-leaves; thunderbolt below and monograms within. BMC 7. *Very Fine* 325

55. **Thessaly,** *Larissa.* AR drachm (6.02 gm), c. 330 B.C. Hd. of Larissa three-quarter facing towards l., hair confined by fillet and floating loosely. Rev: ΛΑΡΙΣ ΑΙΩΝ. Horse feeding r., l. foot raised, plant growing below. BMC 61. *Very Fine* 450

56. **Islands of Thrace,** *Thasos.* AR stater (9.15 gm), 550-465 B.C. Satyr kneeling on r. knee holding in his arms nymph clad in long chiton; archaic style. Rev: Quadripartite incuse square. Rare. Boston 850. Scratches in field. *Very Fine* 1100

57. ———, ———. AR tetradrachm (16.48 gm), after 146 B.C. Hd. of Dionysos r. wearing ivy wreath. Rev: ΗΡΑΚΛΕΟΥΣ ΣΩΤΗΡΟΣ ΘΑΣΙΩΝ, M in field to l. Herakles standing l. holding club and lion's skin. BMC 74 ff. Light scratches in field, bold. *Very Fine* 275

58. **Attica,** *Athens.* AR tetradrachm (17.15 gm), after 449 B.C. Hd. of Athena r. wearing round earring and close-fitting crested helmet adorned with three upright olive leaves and floral ornament. Rev: ΑΘΕ. Owl r., hd. facing and wings closed, spray of olive and crescent behind; all within incuse square. Starr pl. XXIII, 12. *good Very Fine* 750

59. ———, ———. AR tetradrachm - new style - (15.87 gm). Hd. of Athena Parthenos r., wearing earring necklace and close-fitting helmet with triple crest. Rev: ΑΘΕ. Owl r., wings closed and hd. facing, stg. on amphora which lies on its side; magistrates' name in l. and r. field; all within olive wreath. Svoronos pl. 58, 18. *Very Fine/Very Fine plus* 475

60. **Kingdom of Bithynia,** *Nicomedes IV Philopator.* AR tetradrachm (15.86 gm), 94-74 B.C. Diad. hd. of Nicomedes IV r. Rev: ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΕΠΙΦΑΝΟΥΣ ΝΙΚΟΜΗΔΟΥ. Zeus stg. l. crowning name of king with wreath and holding lotus-tipped sceptre, eagle stg. l. on thunderbolt, monogram and ΕΙΣ below and to l. Β to r. Boston 1385. Large flan. *Very Fine plus* 950

61. **Ionia**, *Heraclea Latmum.* AR tetradrachm (16.67 gm), c. 190 B.C. Hd. of Athena r. wearing crested helmet adorned with foreparts of five horses, Pegasus and small figure holding shield. Rev: ΗΡΑΚΛΕΩΤΩΝ, Club r., Nike holding wreath below, monograms to l. and r., all within oak wreath. BMC 1. Scarce. Some usual flat areas. *Extremely Fine* 1800

62. ——, *Magnesia ad Maeandrum.* AR tetradrachm (16.81 gm), c. 190 B.C. Bust of Artemis r. wearing stephane bow and quiver at shoulder. Rev: ΜΑΓΝΗΤΩΝ ΕΥΦΗΜΟΣ ΠΑΥΣΑΝΙΟΥ, Apollo stg. l. on Maeander pattern holding filleted branch and rests l. elbow on tripod, the whole in laurel wreath. BMC 36. *about Extremely Fine* 1350

63. **Islands off Caria**, *Rhodes.* AR didrachm (6.67 gm), 333/2-316 B.C. Hd. of Helios three-quarter facing r., hair loose. Rev: ΡΟΔΙΟΝ. Rose with bud on r., bunch of grapes and F to l. Nice style. SNG von Aulock 2790. *Very Fine* 575

64. **Pamphylia**, *Aspendus.* AR stater (10.87 gm), 400-300 B.C. Two wrestlers facing each other, BA between them. Rev: ΕΣΓΕΕΔΙΗΥΣ. Slinger discharging sling r., triskeles to r. cf. BMC 33. High relief. *Very Fine* 450

65. **Judaea**, *Bar Cochba Revolt.* AR tetradrachm (14.60 gm), attributed to year 3, 134/135 A.D. Facade of the temple at Jerusalem, ark inside. Rev: Lulav, etrog l., inscription around. Meshorer 199. *Some flatness, Very Fine* 2050

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66. **Lucania**, *Thurium.* AR sixth stater (1.19 gm), 440-420 B.C. Hd. of Athena r., wearing helmet adorned with an olive branch. Rev: ΘΟΥΡΙΩΝ. Bull stg. r., fish in exergue r. SNG ANS 1126. Rare. *Very Fine* 175

67. **Bruttium**, *Rhegium.* AR hemiobol (0.13 gm), after 387 B.C. Lion's scalp facing. Rev: RE, within border of dots. Cf. BMC 40 (Æ). Rare. *Fine* 75

68. **Sicily**, *Himera.* AR litrae (0.69 gm), 472-423 B.C. Forepart of monster l. having horn of goat, head of a bearded man, the paw of a lion, and a curled wing. Rev: IMEO. Naked youth std. on goat running l. Cf. BMC 41. Extremely rare. Interesting type. *nearly Very Fine* 650

69. ——, *Naxos.* AR litrae (0.82 gm), 420-403 B.C. Bearded hd. of Dionysos r. wearing ivy wreath, NAΞI before. Rev: Bunch of grapes on vine, vine leaf on either side. Cahn 144. Very rare. *about Very Fine* 775

70. ——, *Syracuse.* AR 1¼ litrae (1.03 gm), 215-212 B.C. Hd. of Artemis r. wearing earring and necklace, quiver over shoulder. Rev: ΣΥΡΑΚΟΣΙΟΙ. Owl stg. r. on bar, F to l. in field. SNG Lockett 1026. Very rare. *nearly Very Fine* 250

71. **Islands of Thrace**, *Thasos.* AR drachm (3.37 gm), 500-465 B.C. Satyr kneeling r. on knee carrying in his arms a nymph clad in a long chiton, hair indicated by dots. Rev: Quadripartite incuse square. BMC 12 ff. Rare. *about Very Fine* 550

72. **Illyria**, *Epidamnus-Dyrrhachium.* AR drachm (2.19 gm), 250-229 B.C. Hd. of young Herakles r. wearing lion's skin. Rev: ϟ Υ Δ . Pegasus with pointed wing flying r. Weber 3825. Scarce. *Very Fine/Very Fine plus* 225

73. **Attic**, *Athens.* AR obol (0.56 gm), 590-530 B.C. "Wappenmunzen". Four-spoked wheel with stays curving towards rim. Rev: Square incuse with diagonal cross lines. Boston 1037. Rare. *good Fine* 325

74. **Arcadia**, *Thelpusa.* AR obol (0.26 gm), 400-370 B.C. Laur. hd. of Apollo r. Rev: Monogram T within shallow incuse square. Pozzi 1962. Scarce. *about Very Fine* 85

75. **Mysia**, *Lampsacus.* Æ trihemiobol (1.21 gm), 394-350 B.C. Laur. hd. of Apollo r. Rev: ΛΑΜ. Forepart of winged horse r., star below. Cf. BMC 46. Rare. *good Very Fine* 225

76. **Ionia**, *Ephesus.* Æ obol (1.03 gm), 387-295 B.C. ΕΦ. Bee with straight wings. Rev: ΕΦ. Two stags' heads face to face. Boston 1827. Scarce. *Very Fine* 200

77. ———, *Miletus.* Æ diobol (1.21 gm), 478-390 B.C. Forepart of lion r., hd. l., heavy mane and jaws open. Rev: Incuse square containing ornamental star. BMC 24. *Very Fine plus* 85

78. **Islands of Ionia**, *Samos.* Æ triobol (1.46 gm), c. 512 B.C. Panther's hd. facing, within a square border of dots. Rev: Hd. and neck of an ox l. within a triple square border of dots between double lines, the whole in an incuse square. Barron 1a; pl V, 1a. Very rare. *Very Fine* 275

79. ———, ———. Æ drachm (4.23 gm), 412-405 B.C. Facing lion's scalp. Rev: ΣΑΜΙ. Forepart of ox running r. with scalloped ornamental collar, olive sprig under head, all in incuse square. Waddington 2035. Very rare. *Extremely Fine* 1850

80. **Islands off Caria, Rhodes** : *Camirus.* Æ obol (0.55 gm), 550-500 B.C. Fig leaf of geometrical design. Rev: Square incuse. Boston 2032. *about Very Fine* 125

81. ———, *Rhodes.* Æ hemidrachm (1.62 gm), 333-304 B.C. or later. Facing hd. of Helios turned slightly to r. Rev: Ρ - Ο Rose with bud on r., magistrates' name above, ΕΡΑΣΙΚΛΗΣ, helmet in l. field. Cf. BMC 47 (didrachms). Very scarce. Good style. *Extremely Fine* 575

82. ———, *Uncertain Mint.* Billon tetrobol (2.39 gm), 5th century B.C. Stylized bull's hd. l. with large eye. Rev: Incuse square divided into twelve compartments. Babelon I 1001, pl. XXVIII, 22. *Very Fine* 225

83. ———, ———. Billon diobol (1.41 gm), 5th century B.C. Similar to above. *Fine* 65

84. **Cilicia**, *Celenderis.* Æ obol (0.68 gm), 450-400 B.C. Gorgoneion. Rev: Forepart of Pegasus l. with curved wing. Cf. BMC 15. Rare. *Very Fine* 175

85. ———, *Tarsus; Mazaeus.* Æ obol (0.68 gm), 361-333 B.C. Facing bust of Herakles wearing lion's skin. Rev: Eagle stg. l. on branch. Babelon pl. CXIII, 3. Very rare. *good Very Fine* 450

86. **Cyprus**, *Salamis; Evelthos.* Æ tetrobol (3.75 gm), 530-520 B.C. ΙΥ F. Ram lying l. Rev: Plain. BMC 5. Rare. *Fine plus* 200

87. **Phoenicia**, *Tyre.* Æ obol (0.71 gm), 450-400 B.C. Dolphin r. over waves, murex shell below. Rev: Owl stg. r. holding crook and flail over shoulder, incuse impression fitting outline of type. BMC 3. Very rare. *about Very Fine* 175

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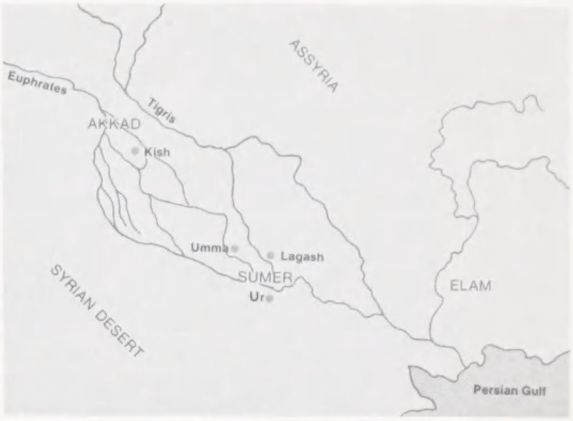
LEGIONARY DENARII OF MARK ANTONY

Presumably during 32-31 B.C., and perhaps at Ephesus, Antony struck his final vast war-coinage referred to as "Legionary Denarii". These coins were struck for the use of his fleet and legions when he was preparing for the struggle with Octavion which culminated in defeat at the battle of Actium, September 2, 31 B.C. The issue furnishes an interesting record of the number of legions of which Antony's army was composed and of a man who was poised to fight for the mastery of the whole Roman world. If all of the thirty legions commemorated by the coins (authenticity of denarii with the names of legions XXIV - XXX have been questioned) were at their full strength, it would give him an army of 180,000 men. Plutarch (Antonius, 61) says that Antony had no fewer than 500 armed vessels, 100,000 foot, and 12,000 horse, and that Octavian's forces consisted of 250 warships, 80,000 foot, and a number of horse equal to that of the enemy. This historic issue, meant primarily to meet the payrolls of his enormous body of troops, was undoubtedly used for a psychological effect emphasizing the vast numbers of his military might.

88. **M. Antonius.** Æ denarius, 32-31 B.C. Galley r. with sceptre tied with fillet on prow, above, ANT. AVG; below, III. VIR. R.P.C. Rev: Three military standards; aquila between two signa, LEG. II. between them. Sydenham 1216, Crawford 544/14. *nearly Extremely Fine* 175

89.	---. Similar; LEG III. Syd. 1217, Craw. 544/15.	*Superb*	300
90.	---. Similar; LEG IV. Syd. 1219, Craw. 544/16.	*some flat areas, Superb*	200
91.	---. Similar; LEG V. Syd. 1221, Craw. 544/18.	*Very Fine plus*	225
92.	---. Similar; LEG. VI. Syd. 1223, Craw. 544/19.	*some flatness, Extremely Fine*	200
93.	---. Similar; LEG. VII. Syd. 1224, Craw. 544/20.	*Extremely Fine*	250
94.	---. Similar; LEG. VIII. Syd. 1225, Craw. 544/21.	*Extremely Fine*	225
95.	---. Similar; LEG. X. Syd. 1228, Craw. 544/24.	*sharp Extremely Fine*	300
96.	---. Similar; LEG. XIII. Syd. 1232a, Craw. 544/28.	*weakly struck, thus Very Fine*	150
97.	---. Similar; LEG. XIV. Syd. 1234, Craw. 544/29.	*Extremely Fine*	275
98.	---. Similar; LEG. XV. Syd. 1235, Craw. 544/30.	*good Very Fine*	175
99.	---. Similar; LEG. XVI. Syd. 1236, Craw. 544/31.	*good Very Fine*	175
100.	---. Similar; LEG. XX. Syd. 1243, Craw. 544/36.	*Extremely Fine*	175

SUMERIAN ECONOMIC TEXTS



In the 24th century B.C. Lugalzaggisi, ensi (governor) of Umma, directed his energies to the conquest and unification of Sumer. Although successful with his ambition, Sargon, king of the Akkadians, soon afterwards conquered the whole of the Tigres-Euphrates Valley and ruled for 55 years (2371-2230 B.C.). However, the Akkadian dynasty could not withstand the revolts of the Sumerian cities to the south and was finally overrun by the Asiatic Gutians. Towards the end of the Gutians' 100 year reign, certain Sumerian cities regained their prosperity and successfully fought for their freedom under the leadership of Ur-Nammu, the founder of the Third Dynasty of Ur (2113-2006), and was able to gain control of the neighboring cities and territories and established an empire over Sumer and Elam that grew with prosperity.

The Sumerians, having a passion for organization, most likely invented the first system of writing, cuneiform script. A need existed for them to keep track of their cattle, sheep and grain. This is clearly demonstrated by the fact that the earliest known Sumerian documents are lists of possessions. Using a square-tipped stylus, the scribe would sink the tip in the clay tablet, thus making a "wedge-shaped" impression. The tablet, which was pre-molded for shape and size, was then placed in the sun to bake and harden. Most of the Sumerian texts we now possess are "economic", the business records of the temple and palace. A large proportion record the receipt and disbursement of animals, food, drink and spices for sacrificial purposes. As stewards of the gods, the priests had to keep careful accounts of the gifts and tribute by the faithful. Documents were often validated by means of cylinder seals engraved with heraldic or other scenes and inscribed with the name and title of the official or scribe who possessed the authority to seal documents. These fascinating records reveal social, political and economic insights into a people who have flourished over 4000 years.

A

B

C

D

Illustrated tablets are only meant as examples of the types available from the various classifications; several specimens in each class are offered for sale. Illustrations are reduced, actual size varies from 1" x 3/4" to 2" x 3".

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A HOARD OF PERSIAN SIGLOI

The first Persian-sponsored coinage was simply a continuation of the gold and silver issues which the Persians found in production when they conquered the kingdom of Lydia in 546 B.C. About 30 years later, under Darius I, the Lydian types were replaced by a distinctly Persian figure carrying a spear and bow, dagger and bow, or just drawing a bow. Darics and sigloi are difficult to date individually as the types varied only slightly between the late sixth century and Alexander's conquest. Finds show that the use of the siglos was confined to western Anatolia, where it was probably minted at the old Lydian capital of Sardis, and perhaps elsewhere, for a population accustomed to using Greek coins.

All specimens are well struck and fully centered.
King drawing bow (scarce), average condition.....$150
King holding bow and spear, above average + (gdVF) 95
King holding bow and spear, above average (F+-VF) 65

A HOARD OF PONTIUS PILATE

Pontius Pilate, Procurator of Judaea for Tiberius 26-36 A.D., struck coins in three successive years beginning with the fourth year of his tenure of office. This lot of bronze lepta includes all types of Pontius Pilate. Meshorer 229 has three ears of barley on the obverse and a simpulum on the reverse. M. 230sq. has a lituus as the obverse type, while the reverse bears one of two dates within a wreath. The presence of these Roman priestly implements, the very symbols of paganism, must have been shocking and offensive to the religious sensibilities of Judaea and illustrate the tensions which existed between Pilate and his subjects.

*All coins are in average (VG) condition.....*19.50

A HOARD OF PROBUS

M. Aurelius Probus, a professional soldier, gained rapid promotion in the army until, by the reign of Aurelian, became one of the leading generals of the Empire. Soon after the death of Tacitus and his short-lived half-brother, Florianus, the armies of the East proclaimed Probus successor to the throne. In the absence of Roman presence, the Alamanni and Franks descended upon Gaul on a wide front and stayed long enough to capture 70 towns. Of all the Germanic invasions, this onslaught struck the heaviest blow at the prosperity of Gaul. Probus pushed back the raiders and did not call off the pursuit until he had regained the line of the Rhine and upper Danube. After some minor campaigns on the lower Danube and Asia Minor, Probus set his hand to the long overdue task of economic recuperation. But in 282 A.D. he was lynched by the Pannonian army, which he had employed, under an obsolete code of discipline, that of land-reclamation. Most of the reverse types offered in this hoard are of a military nature.

Extremely Fine, partial silvering.....$45.00

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